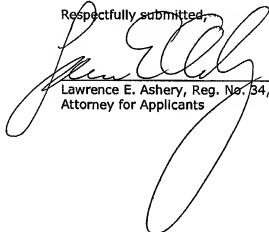


Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 1, 2 and 6 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Yajima (U.S. 6,002,086). Claims 3-5 and 7, however, were indicated as being allowable if rewritten into independent form. Accordingly, the features of claim 1 have been inserted into claims 3 and 4 and claims 1, 2 and 6 have been cancelled.

In view of the amendments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

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